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TAGS: PDIP, KS, US

SUBJECT: ASSIGNMENT OF KNP SUPERINTENDENT TO LOS ANGELES

1. ASST MINISTER FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS KIM CHONG-TAE  
WILL SHORTLY SEND INSTRUCTIONS TO AMBASSADOR HAM TO AGAIN  
APPROACH THE DEPARTMENT ABOUT STATIONING A KOREAN NATIONAL  
POLICE (KNP) OFFICIAL IN LOS ANGELES. THIS ASSIGNMENT  
HAS BEEN HANGING FIRE FOR ABOUT ONE YEAR AND BOTH THE HOME  
MINISTRY AND MOFA ARE INTERESTED IN PLACING AN OFFICER  
IN THE LOS ANGELES CONSULATE.

2. THE OFFICER DESIGNATED IS SENIOR SUPERINTENDENT  
AN KYU-HA, AGE 46, CURRENTLY STATIONED IN SHIMONOSEKI.  
AN SPEAKS FLUENT ENGLISH AND FOR SEVERAL YEARS WORKED AS  
KNP LIAISON WITH U.S. FORCES.

3. THE KNP HAS ASSURED THE EMBASSY THAT IF AN'S  
ASSIGNMENT TO LOS ANGELES IS APPROVED HIS WORK WILL  
BE PURELY POLICE ORIENTED WITH NO POLITICAL OVERTONES.

4. FROM EMBASSY POINT OF VIEW WE SEE NO OBJECTIONS,  
PER SE, TO STATIONING SUPERINTENDENT AN IN LOS ANGELES.  
CONTACTS WITH THE FBI INDICATE THAT THEY HAVE NO  
OBJECTIONS, AND BELIEVE THAT WITH SOME 60,000 KOREANS  
IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA THERE IS LEGITIMATE POLICE  
FUNCTION TO BE PERFORMED. HOWEVER, ASSUMING CONTINUING  
PROBLEMS WITH KCIA ACTIVITIES IN U.S., WE WOULD SUGGEST

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FAVORABLE REACTION TO NEXT APPROACH

CONDITIONED ON  
DECREASE OF KCIA ACTIVITIES AND OUR INSISTENCE THAT  
SUPERINTENDENT AN LIMIT HIMSELF TO LEGITIMATE POLICE  
WORK, AND THAT HE ESCHEW THE PLACING OF ANY POLITICAL  
PRESSURES UPON LOCAL KOREAN RESIDENTS.  
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